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Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS ISSUED IN ERROR

In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts dated October 18, 2004, enclosed are a copy of the Declaration and a copy of the Notice To File Missing Parts. Applicants respectfully submit that the Notice to File Missing Parts dated October 18, 2004 has been issued in error.

Please note that Applicants received a Notice to File Missing Parts dated September 29, 2003, to which a response was timely submitted on October 31, 2003. For the convenience of the Office, we have enclosed a copy of the date-stamped receipt post card, a copy of the Response to Notice to File Missing

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Parts dated September 29, 2003, a copy of the Notice dated September 29, 2003, and a copy of the executed declaration.

Since applicants paid the surcharge fee of \$130.00 on October 31, 2003, it is believed that no fee is required; however, if there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916. Please associate this Declaration with the application as filed on July 3, 2003 and assigned serial number 10/612,010.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: December 16, 2004

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- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

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